GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
LOK SABHA

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VIOLATION OF CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of times violation of ceasefire agreement has been reported in the last three years;

(b) the number of soldiers and civilians killed/injured during the said firing;

(c) the amount of compensation paid to the dependents of deceased soldiers and civilians;

(d) the outcome of flag meeting held with Pakistani counterpart to resolve the issue; and

(e) the measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to ensure peace on the LoC/border?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI A.K. ANTONY)

(a) to (e): The ceasefire was declared in November, 2003 on the Line of Control (LoC) between India and Pakistan, which has been upheld except for some aberrations.

Strong protests have been lodged by the Indian side with their Pakistani counter-parts about the incident of ceasefire violation through military and diplomatic channels. While reaffirming Pakistan`s commitment to uphold the situation, the Pakistani authorities have denied complicity of Pakistani troops in these incidents.One Junior Commissioned Officer and three other ranks of the Indian Army have been injured in the ceasefire violations.